



# Rural Continuing Medical Education Community Program

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## RCME Community Implementation

The RCME team has officially implemented 66 of the 101 eligible RSA communities into the new program. Once implemented, communities are accessing new funding as well as being supported to create and develop locally driven models of community education.

To connect with the RCME Team email [rcme@rccbc.ca](mailto:rcme@rccbc.ca)

## Featured Community – Whistler – Vancouver Coastal Health

“The RCME Community Program has been instrumental in bringing our team together to run our SIMS program and prepare for COVID scenarios.

Moving forward we will be increasing our pediatrics SIMS program and working to improve our transport and communication of care throughout the Sea to Sky Region.

Thanks again for all your support.”

Dr. Fern von der Porten



## Initiative-Based Community Education

The [Specialist, Sub-Specialty, Indigenous and Funding for Innovation \(SPIFI\)](#) grant continues to receive many applications for initiative-based community education. The most recently approved applications have included:

### ‘Pediatric Trauma Care and Virtual Simulation Training’

SPIFI funding is supporting equipment and virtual education development and delivery to practice the coordination of care for the communities of Pemberton and Whistler.

### ‘Rural Education and Film Project - The Family Doctor’

SPIFI funding is supporting the production of an educational video for physicians, healthcare workers and patients which presents the case of a BioPsychoSocialSpiritual model of healthcare. This initiative is developed out of the communities of Prince Rupert and Haida Gwaii.

### ‘Physician Leadership Training’

SPIFI funding is supporting online leadership training for over 10 communities across the Northern region. These education sessions will promote physician leaders to learn together, but also to help create a network of physician leaders across the region to promote peer support.

To learn more, email Heather Gummow  
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The UBC Rural CPD Program is seeking a practicing rural physician in British Columbia to join our Hands-on Ultrasound (HOUSE) Program as Senior Medical Lead. The program is part of the University of British Columbia's Division of Rural Continuing Professional Development (UBC Rural CPD) Program and supported by the Rural Coordination Centre of British Columbia (RCCbc) and the Joint Standing Committee on Rural Issues. This is a part time, contract position that is approximately 15 hours per month, paid at the Doctors of BC sessional rate.

Learn more about the position here: <https://ubccpd.ca/careers>

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### **Rural Leadership Development Program**

After a three-year pilot project, we are pleased to announce the JSC is providing ongoing funding through REAP to support the Rural Leadership Development Program. The purpose of the Rural Leadership Development Project is to increase opportunities for rural physicians to pursue leadership training and develop the skills and abilities to help bring system improvements that will benefit British Columbia's rural populations.

REAP is currently accepting applications from rural physicians who are pursuing formalized leadership training. In addition to funding up to \$15,000 to cover expenses, participants are offered a mentoring opportunity with a rural leader through UBC CPD's Rural Physician Mentoring Program. Physicians may apply if they have been practicing in an RSA Community for at least nine months of the past year and if they have letters of support from their health authority and community.

Follow this link to learn more and to download the application form [Rural Leadership Development Program](#)

Applications are accepted twice/year - the next deadline is October 31, 2020.



### **Quality Team Coaching for Rural BC Accepting Applications**

In Quality Team Coaching for Rural BC (QTC4RBC), rural healthcare teams work with a coach to identify values and priorities, develop collective and individual skills, and access resources to build a culture of safety, learning, and quality leading to positive patient and provider experiences and high-quality care. The program provides:

- A virtual workshop with an ICF-certified coach (six (6) two-hour modules);
- Up to four virtual team coaching sessions and up to three one-on-one coaching sessions for leadership;
- A concierge service linking your team to BC programs and resources;
- Up to \$40,000 for further team educational opportunities or to cover expenses of a quality improvement project;
- Opportunity to work on a self-chosen quality project with mentorship from an advisor;
- Up to 21.75 Mainpro+ credits or 7.25 MOC Section 3 Simulation hours

Rural healthcare teams may apply – submissions from [RSA A or B communities](#) will be prioritized. At least one physician must be part of the application team (or 20% if the team is more than 8). Interprofessional and leadership participation in the program is encouraged.

Applications are accepted twice/year - the next deadline is October 30, 2020.

Visit [rccbc.ca](http://rccbc.ca) or contact [apeltonen@rccbc.ca](mailto:apeltonen@rccbc.ca) for more information.